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Raymond Davis House  
Doubs  
Private

Circa 1880

The Raymond Davis House is a two and one-half story cross gable Carpenter Gothic residence. A highly decorative frame one story porch with a delicate pierced cornice with sawtooth bottom dropped moldings, pierced brackets, and dentiled cornice extends across the front of the building.

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Upon his death in 1880, Horace Smith obtained the land and sold it to Charles Sechrist in 1888.

Two years later the property was sold for \$275.00 to John Carey, who sold it to the current owner, Raymond Davis, in 1829.

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**9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES**

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**10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA**

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY \_\_\_\_\_

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION \_\_\_\_\_

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE

COUNTY

STATE

COUNTY

**11 FORM PREPARED BY**

NAME / TITLE

clh

Cherilyn Widell, Sites Analyst

ORGANIZATION

DATE

Frederick County Office of Historic Preservation2/1/79

STREET &amp; NUMBER

TELEPHONE

12 East Church St., Winchester Hall694-1063

CITY OR TOWN

STATE

FrederickMaryland

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RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust  
The Shaw House, 21 State Circle  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401  
(301) 267-1438

PERIOD		AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW			
<input type="checkbox"/> PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING	<input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS	<input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE	<input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE	
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN	
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		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION			

SPECIFIC DATES

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

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Two years later the property was sold for \$275.00 to John Carey,<sup>3</sup> who sold it to the current owner, Raymond Davis in 1929.<sup>4</sup>

The pierced sawnwork on the porch of this residence is the most intricate yet surveyed in Frederick County.

<sup>1</sup>Frederick County Land Records, Liber AF4; Folio 205.

<sup>2</sup>Ibid., Liber WIP6; Folio 150.

<sup>3</sup>Ibid., Liber WIP 11; Folio 1.

<sup>4</sup>Ibid., Liber 370; Folio 380.

**7 DESCRIPTION**

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**CONDITION**

☐ EXCELLENT  
☒ GOOD  
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED  
☐ RUINS  
☐ UNEXPOSED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ UNALTERED  
☐ ALTERED

**CHECK ONE**

☒ ORIGINAL SITE  
☐ MOVED      DATE \_\_\_\_\_

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**DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE**Raymond Davis House

This house is two and one-half story frame gable roofed Carpenter Gothic which faces east from the west side of Doubs Road in Doubs.

The principle facade is three bays wide. The main entrance, a molded four panel door with two narrow side lights with recessed paneling and three light transom is located in the second bay.

Occupying the remaining bays are arched one over one windows with arched louvered shutters. A segmented Gothic window is located in the center of the front gable.

A highly decorative frame one story porch extends across the first level of the building. The flat roofed porch is supported by six turned columns with scrolled brackets. A delicate pierced cornice with saw tooth bottom, dropped moldings, pierced brackets and dentiled cornice extends across the top of the porch.

An original two story two bay wide addition extends to the rear of the main block of the building.

The entire building is covered with German (novelty siding) with narrow corner boards. The house is covered by a patterned slate roof with fishscale shingling. Cast iron snow stops decorate the roof on the east edge. The roof is attached to the building by a boxed cornice with return.

An ornate turned finial is located at the apex of the center gable. A single brick chimney rises from the rear addition of the building.

The entire structure is built on a cemented low random stone foundation. The property is surrounded by a white picket fence.

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## INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

**1 NAME**

HISTORIC Raymond Davis House

AND/OR COMMON

**2 LOCATION**

STREET &amp; NUMBER

West Side Doubs Road

CITY, TOWN

Doubs

VICINITY OF

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

M 103B

STATE

Maryland

COUNTY

Frederick

**3 CLASSIFICATION**

## CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT  
☒ BUILDING(S)  
☐ STRUCTURE  
☐ SITE  
☐ OBJECT

## OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC  
☒ PRIVATE  
☐ BOTH

## PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS  
☐ BEING CONSIDERED

## STATUS

☒ OCCUPIED  
☐ UNOCCUPIED  
☐ WORK IN PROGRESS  
**ACCESSIBLE**  
☐ YES: RESTRICTED  
☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED  
☒ NO

## PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE ☐ MUSEUM  
☐ COMMERCIAL ☐ PARK  
☐ EDUCATIONAL ☒ PRIVATE RESIDENCE  
☐ ENTERTAINMENT ☐ RELIGIOUS  
☐ GOVERNMENT ☐ SCIENTIFIC  
☐ INDUSTRIAL ☐ TRANSPORTATION  
☐ MILITARY ☐ OTHER

**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME Raymond A. Davis

Telephone #:

STREET &amp; NUMBER

Route 1, Box 325

CITY, TOWN

Adamstown

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

Maryland 21710

**5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**COURTHOUSE,  
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Frederick County Courthouse

Liber #: 370

Folio #: 380

STREET &amp; NUMBER

North Court Street

CITY, TOWN

Frederick

STATE

Maryland 21701

**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

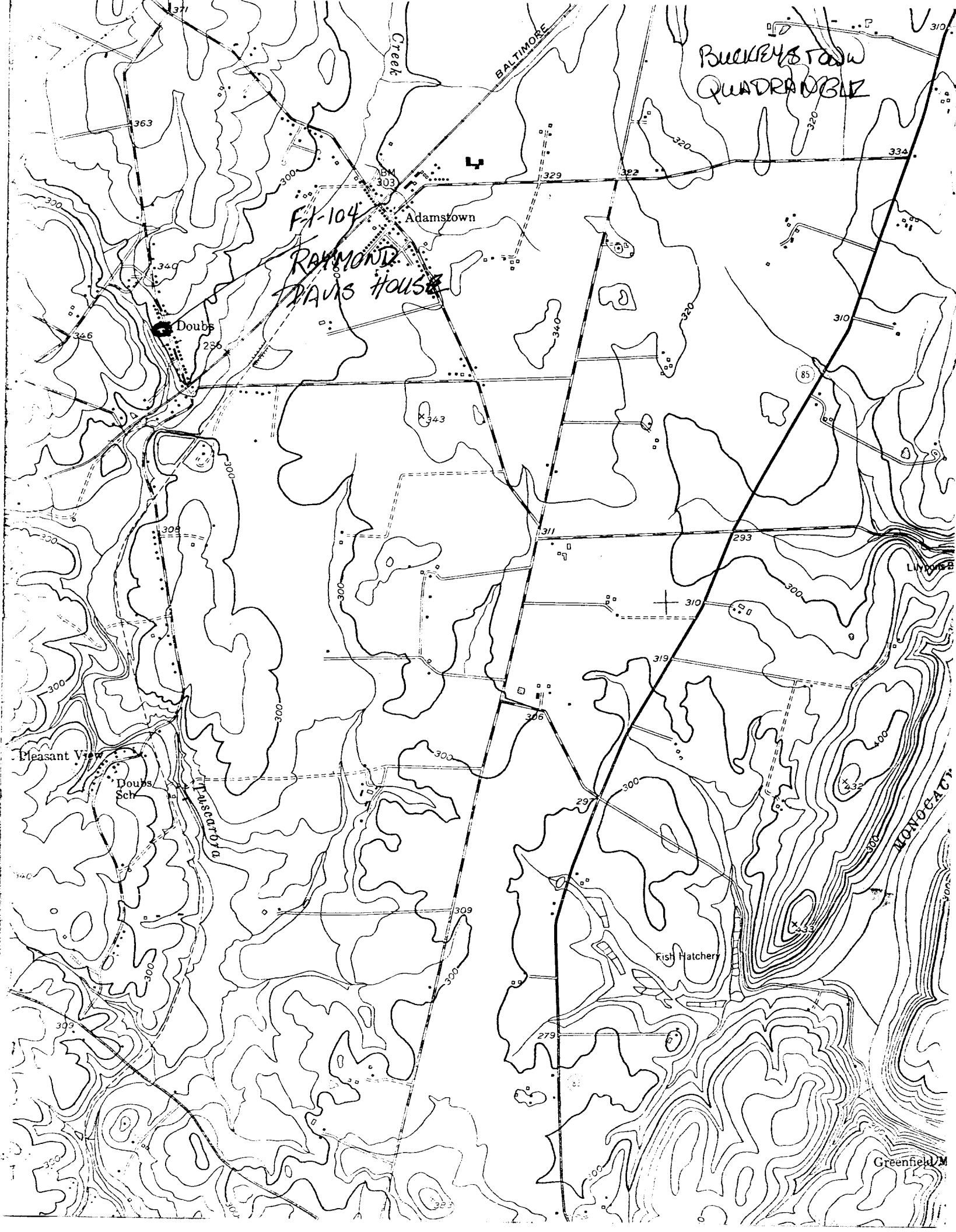
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DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR  
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE



Buckeystown  
Quadrangle

F-104  
RAYMOND  
DAVIS HOUSE

Adamstown

Doubt

Pleasant View

Doubt Sch

Fish Hatchery

Greenfield



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N/3 DOUBS RD

DOUBS

CEW 11/78

EAST ELEVATION





F-1-104

N/S DOUBS RD

DOUBS MD

CEN 11/78

SOUTHEAST  
ELEVATION